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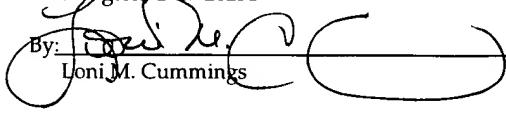
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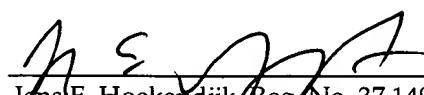
- Specification(48 pages); 74 claims on pages 37-47; Abstract of the Disclosure.
- 44 sheet(s) of informal drawing(s).
- An assignment of the invention to EPICOR, INC. (with Recordation Form Cover Sheet)
- A signed Declaration & Power of Attorney.
- A Power of Attorney by Assignee with Certificate Under 37 C.F.R. Section 3.73(b).
- A Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 37 C.F.R. 1.27.

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